

MEMBER'S QUERY

Bob Schwerdt of 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, New York 12603., sends in the following queries, can anyone help?

"Recently I acquired G.B. Foreign Bill, Land Registry, Judicature, etc. perfins. Can you identify for me CBI, CB, BB, IBHL, CL. May I assume these are foreign perfins on British revenue stamps? When would the stamps have received the perfinning?

Has any article been published regarding these British revenue perfins?

WHO KNOWS THE ANSWER?

1. With reference to Bob Schwerdt's queries in our last issue, Chris Tennant offers the following

B.B.	Cat. B.41.1	Baring Brothers & Co., Ltd. London.
C.B.	Cat. C.47.4	The Colonial Bank London.
C.B.I.	Cat. C.78/78.2	Chartered Bank of India
C.L.	Cat. C421.6	Credit Lyonnais S.A.
I.B.H.L.	Cat. I.13	International Bank of London.

Chris has all these companies' cancellations on Foreign Bill stamps from 1857.

2. In an earlier issue we queried the use of 'LB/&Co' by The Chestergate Hat Manufacturing Company. Frank Summers says that in Kelly's Directory for 1958, there is no reference to this Company but under 'Ladies Hat Manufacturers' a company called Lincoln, Bennett & Co., Ltd., 68, Brewer Street, London, W.l. is listed. Frank suggested that there may be some connection between the two companies.

3. Ron Bowman has several pieces containing various combinations of Q.E.II denominations. In every case all values except the 4p are perforated RB/15 (or is it RB/13 - a vital pin is missing). The 4p stamp is perforated 05/18 in each case. Can anyone explain this use of numerals?

4. Another query. From Chris Tennant. He has two Irish stamps - S.G. 71 and S.G. 72 'perforated GWR die 111. The perfins are well centred so there is no missing 'M' as in M/GWR. Can some explain this usage?